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INTERGRATION OF ULTRALOW-K
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Examiner: A. O. Williams

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 11, 2005, Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims 1-11 for continued examination.

The Examiner has required restriction between

Group I – Claims 1-11, drawn to a BEOL interconnect structure, classified in class 257, subclass 774.

Group II – claims 12-33, drawn to a method for making an interconnect structure, classified in class 438, subclass 15+.

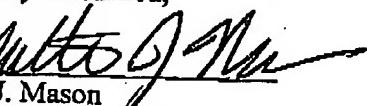
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